City Manager's Weekly Update

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Upcoming Meetings

July1stPlanning Commission Meeting (agenda)July2ndParks & Recreation Meeting (agenda)July4thHoliday - City Hall Offices ClosedJuly8thCouncil Meeting



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Executive Summary

State's 2014 Budget Act

On June 15th, the State Legislature forwarded a \$156.4B FY 2015 Budget to the Governor for signature. The main budget bill was approved less than six hours before the constitutional deadline.

According to the Sacramento Bee, the spending plan includes more money for Medi-Cal, Welfare-to-Work, expansion of child care and preschool programs for underprivileged children. It also begins to pay down an estimated shortfall of more than \$74B in the teachers' pension fund, puts about \$1.6B into a special Rainy Day Fund and holds about \$460M more in reserve.

There are 18 related "trailer bills" attached to the Budget. Among the trailer bills lawmakers took up was SB 852, of interest to the San Mateo County cities. The bill includes \$10.9M for restoration of cuts to the VLF reimbursement, supplemental funding for local streets and roads from Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax revenues, a \$100M loan repayment and a \$142M adjustment for an allocation error by the State Controller's office over the last several years. These "supplemental allocations" are to be allocated under the Streets and Highways code Section 2104-2107 formulas. Fortunately, Belmont will share in this restoration of funds. Based on the current projections, the City will receive \$96K more for streets than what was anticipated in the proposed FY 2015 Budget. Moreover, Belmont will receive approximately \$185K this fall as part of the \$10.9M in funding for San Mateo County and cities to offset a FY 12-13 Triple Flip shortfall.

In a prepared statement earlier this month, Governor Brown called the spending plan a "solid and sustainable budget that pays down debt, brings stability to the teachers' pension system and builds at long last a reliable Rainy Day Fund." The Governor is expected to sign the legislation.

For the detailed estimates and a full explanation

see: http://californiacityfinance.com/HUTAupdate140622.pdf

Belmont Firefighters Rescue Fawn

Belmont Firefighters were called to San Carlos Thursday, to rescue a fawn that was trapped in the backyard of a home.

At approximately 1:00 PM, Belmont firefighters responded to the 600 block of Wellington Drive in San Carlos, on an animal rescue. Upon arrival, firefighters found that a fawn had become stuck between the wall of the home and a fence post. Firefighters were able to free the baby deer in about 15 minutes. The fawn, which had apparently become trapped during the night, had some minor injuries and was released after being checked at the scene by San Mateo County Animal Rescue & Control.



Belmont Fire Department Captain Mark Way with the rescued fawn.

I'm not sure who was happier!

Twin Pines Day Camps Get New Name and Logo

Twin Pines day camps started up again this week, with a new logo, name and enthusiastic staff.

Young Explorers became the Hawks, and Twin Pines Day Camp became the Eagles, in our beautiful Twin Pines Park. This week kicked off eight weeks of camp, that will grow each week now that BRSSD kids are out of school; with lots of fun activities, games, crafts as well as trips for the older kids. Our first trip was to Bel Mateo Bowl this week, with lunch at the 'bowl', great times with staff and kids on a level playing field. Trips coming up include Winchester Mystery House, Aqua Adventure, Exploratorium and Golfland in San Jose for water slides, mini golf and more.

Summer Concerts Well Underway

Last Sunday the 22nd, residents around the Peninsula got to enjoy a lovely outdoor concert for free. In partnership with Belmont Park Boosters, these concerts run every Sunday from



1-4pm in June and July. Refreshments are available for purchase at each concert. Feel free to bring some lawn chairs, bring your family, and just sit and enjoy the show or have fun dancing! Check out the music schedule at the beginning of Belmont Parks & Rec's Activity Guide at www.belmont.gov/activityguide





Multi-Generational Bingo

As part of one of the Twin Pines Senior & Community Center's annual traditions, 3rd Graders from Central School Elementary came to have lunch and play Bingo with the Center's attendees. Competition was fierce as each table teamed up to be the winners of the final Blackout game. This year the event was so well received by the older adults,



plans might be in the works to make this a semi-annual event!

Summer Camp Team



Belmont Parks and Recreation summer team is complete, meet our new staff!

Camp S.O.A.R. counselors (below) had their first week of camp and enjoyed field trips, songs and games! Our swim instructors and lifeguards completed training and look forward to teaching skills next week in a safe and fun environment at Carlmont Pool!

Register for Camp S.O.A.R. and

swimming lessons here: http://tinyurl.com/belmontcamps





Department Weekly Highlights



Sewer Division

- Inspected and cleaned 11 sewer pump stations
- The service truck (205) responded to 5 service calls
- Daily cleaning of the Ralston Ranch "rag catcher"
- Jetted (cleaned) 3,418 feet of sewer main
- The Closed Circuit TV (CCTV) van videoed 5,522 feet of sewer main
- Assisted Pure Technologies with the force main inspections using "Smart Ball" technology
- Certified the 4 backflow valve installations at San Juan, Hiller, Haskins, and North Road Pump Stations
- Inspected one repaired lateral tie in on Monserat Avenue
- Tested a new cleaning nozzle for the combination truck

Storm Division

- Swept 99 curb miles and collected 9.86 tons of debris
- Inspected and cleaned 2 storm pump stations
- Twice weekly inspection of Water Dog Lake Trail including the V-ditch, the spillway, the dock, and emptied 8 trash cans

Traffic Operations and Streets Divisions

Both divisions teamed up this past week to assist one another in maintenance and repair efforts

- Replaced 12 signs
- Weekly visual inspections for preventative maintenance of intersections
- Visual inspection of lighted crosswalk
- Saw-cut 4 locations in preparation for paving
- Dig-out and pave 3 locations on Read Avenue- (12 tons of asphalt)
- Repair 3 streetlights
- Marked out 15 locations for Underground Service Alerts
- Removed damaged street light pole
- Installed hydrogen sulfide gas (H₂S) detector at San Juan pump station
- Removed graffiti in 5 locations
- Put up "No Fireworks" signs



Save The Date!

Every year, on the third Saturday in September, people join together at sites all over California to take part in the State's largest volunteer event, California Coastal Cleanup Day. The event is part of the *International Coastal Cleanup*, organized by the Ocean Conservancy. Belmont's waterways have been included in this event for many years, and we are proud to participate once again. Join your family, friends, school groups, neighbors, scout troops and organizational clubs to partake in cleaning up California waterways. *Let's make trash EXTINCT*!

Saturday, September 20th from 9-noon



Mandatory Commercial Recycling Brochures Coming To Mailboxes

Businesses and multi-family dwelling property owners and manager will soon be receiving a brochure (shown below) to inform them about the State's Mandatory Commercial Recycling law. The new California Assembly Bill (AB) 341 requires all businesses that generate four or more cubic yards of garbage per week and multi-family dwellings with five or more units to recycle. This law will help reduce garbage sent to landfills, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Recology BizSmart program makes it easy for commercial customers to go green. Contact them at Greenyourbiz@recology.com to find out how you can comply.

For more information regarding this law, please visit Calrecycle.ca.gov



Mandatory Commercial Recycling

As of July 1, 2012, California requires all businesses that generate four (4) or more cubic yards of garbage per week and multi-family dwellings with five (5) or more units to recycle.

Affected businesses include, but are not limited to, office buildings, retail, restaurants, non-profits, strip malls, government offices and schools. Multifamily dwellings include apartments, townhomes and condominiums.

The purpose of the law is to:

- Reduce garbage sent to landfills
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions

The specific statutory language for Assembly (AB) 341 can be found in the State's Public Resources Code: PRC Division 30, Part 3, Chapter 12.8, Section 42649

Go to: http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Recycle/ Commercial/default/htm to learn more about AB 341



Compliance is easy with the BizSMART program available through Recology San Mateo County!

Recycling collection services in the blue Recycle Cart or Bin are provided at NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE if you subscribe to garbage collection services, and with BizSMART recycling has never been easier! Simply contact Recology to set up service or answer any questions.

And if you are already recycling thank you!

In addition to having recycling services provided by Recology, customers can also self-haul the recyclables or arrange for their pickup.

Contact Recology San Mateo County 650.595.3900

GreenYourBiz@recology.com RecologySanMateoCounty.com BIOS MAL Makes Recycling Easy!

You CAN Recycle:

- 5-gallon plastic buckets
- Cardboard
 Glass bottles and cans
- Plastic containers numbered 1-7
- Milk and juice cartons
- Metal cans
- Office papers, newspapers, junk mail, magazines, phone books, soft/hard cover books
- Small scrap metal
- Shredded paper (place in sealed paper or clear plastic bags and set in the Recycle Cart or Bin)



HEALTHY NAIL SALON PROGRAM

<u>San Mateo County Health System Certifies Belmont Business for Healthy Nail Salon Program</u>

Envy Nail Salon became one of San Mateo County's first certified Healthy Nail Salons that provide a healthier environment for employees and customers by using safer products and practices.

As a result of rising health impacts experienced by nail technicians and health concerns for customers, San Mateo County joined Alameda and San Francisco Counties in a regional movement to help improve the indoor air quality of salons. Salons that become certified by the County, and customers that frequent certified salons, will contribute to a healthier environment.

Visit <u>www.smchealth.org/healthynails</u> to find out more on healthy nail salons, how to become certified or help certify your favorite nail salon.





These salons are committed to **improving air quality** and using **safer products**











ReThink Waste Wins Top North American Public Education Award

RethinkWaste Environmental Education Center and Tour Program at Shoreway has been named the winner of the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) Gold Excellence Award in the Public Education category. Read their press release here

What To Do With Those Fluorescent Lights, Tubes and CFLs?

Fluorescent lights, tubes and CFLs contain mercury and are considered household hazardous waste that should never be placed in the trash can. Dispose these hazardous items properly through Belmont's <u>At Your Door curbside collection program</u> provided by RethinkWaste. Belmont residents do not need to pay a separate fee for using the Door-to-Door program, the costs are already included in your garbage bills. Residents may schedule as many appointments as needed by phone 1-800-449-7587 or email <u>atyourdoor@wm.com</u>



12 Agencies Attended Belmont's SmartBall Presentation and Demonstration



On June 25, 2014, the Department of Public Works conducted a SmartBall Leak and Air Pocket Detection Technical Presentation & System Demonstration.

SmartBall® is an innovative leak detection and pipeline condition assessment technology. It is a free-swimming, non-tethered ball capable of detecting acoustic activity associated with leaks and pockets of trapped gas in pressurized pipelines. SmartBall is inserted into a live pipeline and travels with the flow collecting location and size information about leaks, pipeline condition and pockets of trapped gas. Check out the animated video . Additional SmartBall Inspections will take place on the force mains located at East Laurel Creek Road, North Road/El Camino Real, Island Park, and Hiller Street at a later date.

There were 27 people in attendance from 12 agencies located throughout San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties. The presentation consisted of an overview of the SmartBall capabilities, and the role the SmartBall plays in the Belmont Sewer Forcemain Study that is currently in progress. The demonstration included the preparation of the SmartBalls deployment for this trenchless. non-evasive technology of evaluating pressurized pipes for corrosion, air/gas pockets, leaks and other pipe issues.

The SmartBall was placed inside the check valve of the wet well, where it made its way through the forcemain while sending data to the computer for evaluation. Staff retrieved the SmartBall at the end of the demonstration by inserting a dam into the manhole to capture the ball.



Readings from the SmartBall will help provide valuable information on the condition of the sewer line and assist staff in making proper repairs.

Wood Rot Cause of Leaning Street Light Pole

The Public Works staff while returning to the Corporation Yard from a completed job site assignment sighted a leaning wooden street light pole on Ralston Avenue. Upon further investigation of the pole, it was found to be severely rotted below grade, and in danger of



falling. The pole was stabilized and work has begun replace to it. This street light, like most of the older wooden street lights in Belmont, is powered directly from a PG&E Staff had to coordinate with PG&E disconnect the power on Thursday, and staff was then able remove the pole. Staff is in process of installing a new pole, and restoring service once a new pole is custom built for this location. The City has 111 of these wooden which poles have served the community well over the many years; however they are reaching the end of their useful life and will need to be replaced over the next few years as funding is identified for their replacement.

News from Peninsula Water District



Belmont Sewer Rates Hearing Continued to July 8th



Twin Pines Community Center

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:30 9:30 9:30 10:00 1:00 2:00	Bread Program Video Aerobics Italian Chat Spanish Chat Book Group French Chat Chair Dancing	9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Gentle Tai Chi 10:00 English Conversation 11:30 Lunch Program 12:00 Drop-In Canasta 12:15 Classic Movie 12:30 Crafts Group	9:30 Video Aerobics 9:30 Bread Program 10:00 Spanish Class 10:30 Zumba Gold 11:30 German Class 11:30 Lunch Program 12:15 New Movie 12:30 Drop-In Pinochle/Hearts 7:00 DANCE NIGHT	9:00 Garden Club 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Go 4 Life Fitness Video 9:30 Drop-In Canasta 11:30 Lunch with Jonathan 12:15 Wii Bowling 12:30 Drop-In Bridge 1:00 Drop-In Art Group	9:30 Chair Yoga with Adriana 1:00 BINGO 2:00 Mandarin Conversation
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Belmont Public Library Calendar of Events

